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REMARKS

Applicant appreciates the phone conference with Examiner Ahmed on December 7, 2005.

Examiner Ahmed indicated that the entrance of this 312 Amendment would appear to be acceptable subject to review by his supervisor.

Applicant hereby proposes an addition of dependent Claims 22 and 23. As the Examiner is aware, the application was allowed without a First Office Action.

Claim 22 defines that the manufacturing method is directed to an electronic device which is a memory device that includes a plurality of components that function as field effect transistors as set forth, for example, on Page 7, Lines 14-17 of our specification. Additionally, a similar claim has already been allowed as Claim 7 in our present application, and Claim 22 is a variation that does not have the limitations of the conductive part.

Claim 23 is also a further variation of Claim 7 without the limitation of the specific definition of the electronic device and the specific width of the electrode. FIG. 1B and Page 12, line 19 to Page 13, line 5 of our Specification clearly show that the conductive part (3) is part of the polymetal electrode (8) of the FET.

In addition, based on page 16, Line 9 to Page 17, line 12 of the Specification, if the contact hole 7a is formed in the correct position, elution is not found in the subsequent inspection process, as shown in FIG. 3B. However, if the contact hole 7a is not formed in the correct position, elution is found as shown in FIG. 3C. Thus, the conductive part 3 being inspected is a gate electrode of an FET, in other words, a function electrode.

Accordingly, Claims 22 and 23 do not add any new matter that would require an additional search and simply provide alternative limitations of allowed Claim 1 to ensure a full definition of the present invention.

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It is believed that applicant has met the requirements of 37 CFR §1.312 and an early notification of the entrance of this amendment would be appreciated to facilitate the timing of the payment of the issue fee.

If the Examiner has any questions, the undersigned attorney can be reached at the listed phone number.

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